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|   | Per Case. | Per Bot. |
|---|-----------|----------|
| A Alto Douro, good quality, Green Capsule .....                             | \$10      | \$1.00   |
| B Vintage, Superior quality, Red Capsule .....                              | 12        | 1.10     |
| C Fine Old Vintage, superior quality, Black Seal Capsule ..                 | 14        | 1.25     |
| D Very Fine Old Vintage, extra superior, Violet Capsule (Old Bottled) ..... | 18        | 1.50     |

## SHERRIES.

|  |      |      |
|--|------|------|
| A Delicate Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Capsule .....                                      | 6    | 0.60 |
| B Superior Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Seal Capsule ..                                    | 7.50 | 0.75 |
| C Manzanilla, Pale Natural Sherry, White Capsule ..  | 10   | 1.00 |
| CC Superior Old Dry, Pale Natural Sherry, Red Seal Capsule .....                           | 10   | 1.00 |
| D Very Superior Old Pale Dry, choice old wine, White Seal Capsule .....                    |      |      |
| E Extra Superior Old Pale Dry, very finest quality, Black Seal Capsule (Old Bottled) ..... | 14   | 1.50 |

## CLARETS.

|  |      |        |
|--|------|--------|
| A Superior Breakfast Claret, Red Capsule ..... | \$4  | \$4.50 |
| B St. Estephe, Red Capsule ..                  | 4.50 | 5.00   |
| C St. Julien .....                             | 7    | 7.50   |
| D La Rose .....                                | 11   | 12.00  |

## BRANDY.

|  |      |        |
|--|------|--------|
| A Hennessy's Old Pale, Red Capsule .....                                     | \$12 | \$1.10 |
| B Superior Very Old Cognac, Red Capsule .....                                | 14   | 1.25   |
| C Very Old Liqueur Cognac, Red Capsule .....                                 | 18   | 1.50   |
| D Hennessy's Finest Very Old Liqueur Cognac, 1875 Vintage, Red Capsule ..... | 24   | 2.00   |

## SCOTCH WHISKY.

|  |    |      |
|--|----|------|
| A Thorne's Blend, White Capsule .....  | 8  | 0.75 |
| B Watson's Glenorchy Mellow Blend, Blue Capsule with Name and Trade Mark ..  | 8  | 0.75 |
| C Watson's Abolour-Glenorchy, Red Capsule, with Name and Trade Mark .....    | 8  | 0.75 |
| D Watson's H K D Blend of the Finest Scotch Malt Whiskies, Violet Capsule .. | 10 | 1.00 |
| E Watson's Very Old Liqueur Scotch Whisky, Gold Capsule ..                   | 12 | 1.10 |

## IRISH WHISKY.

|  |    |      |
|--|----|------|
| A John Jameson's Old, Green Capsule .....                      | 8  | 0.75 |
| B John Jameson's Fine Old, Green Capsule .....                 | 10 | 1.00 |
| C John Jameson's Very Fine Old, Green Capsule .....            | 12 | 1.10 |
| GUINNESS BOURBON WHISKY, Black Seal, Red Capsule, with Name .. | 10 | 1.00 |

## GIN.

|   |      |      |
|---|------|------|
| A Fine Old Tom, White Capsule ..        | 4.50 | 0.40 |
| B Fine Unsweetened, White Capsule ..... | 4.50 | 0.40 |
| C Fine A. V. H. Geneva .....            | 5.25 | 0.50 |

## RUM.

|  |        |             |
|--|--------|-------------|
| Finest Old Jamaica, Violet Capsule ..... | 12     | 1.00        |
| Good Lecward Island .....                | \$1.50 | per Gallon. |

## LIQUEURS.

|             |                         |
|-------------|-------------------------|
| Benedictine | Maraschino              |
| Chartreuse  | Herrings Cherry Cordial |
|             | Dr. Sieger's Angostura  |
|             | Bitters, &c.            |

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## The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, AUGUST 8, 1891.

## CHINA WARNED.

THE telegram we published yesterday to the effect that the Great Powers were taking concerted action in regard to China and her Treaty obligations, (in such light only can the message be read), is one of the most satisfactory items of intelligence that has reached us for many years. Its significance and importance cannot be exaggerated; and its results to the advantage of Foreign commerce cannot be overestimated. It further indicates that the wall of the long-suffering foreigners in China, in being compelled to witness Treaty rights ignored; Treaty obligations regarded with indifference and absolute scorn; whilst their representatives at the capital and their Consuls at the Treaty ports are impotent to obtain redress for the most grievous wrongs from a vain, overbearing and essentially corrupt official class, has at last reached Europe. If we are not mistaken this action is indeed tantamount to "sounding the loud timbrel o'er China's dark shores," and we presume to hope the sound will not be permitted to drift into apathy by the apathetic indifference of foreigners generally. What has been accomplished in the past by the coercive action taken by a single Power, or by two combined, is now sought to be obtained by a more peaceful but a far more effective and simple method, and the lesson which collective action teaches in this case will furnish one of its most practical, as well as one of its most convincing and beneficial examples, which should not be lost upon any of the far eastern communities. Grievous in the extreme has it been for years to have to witness the spontaneous and unprovoked aggressive acts of the Chinese, such as murderous attacks upon foreigners, fatal riots and destruction of foreign goods, grossly illegal seizure of foreign property, acts committed with an audacity which the immunity it enjoys from redress only encouraged. But now we may well hope that if the present political programme be adhered to, we shall have seen the end of such a mischievous and truculent policy. Fortunately all the Great Powers are, so to speak, in the same "boat" with regard to China's aggressiveness towards them. No distinction is made between them by the Chinese, and it is anti-foreign prejudice and anti-foreign feeling generally which inspires the aggression and the resultant injury, which all foreigners have for years had to put up with in all the Treaty ports. French, German, American, Russian, and British interests have been equally assailed and have conjointly suffered, and there is not one of the Great Powers mentioned, whose commercial stake in China is not extending rapidly. Great Britain's stake is obvious, whilst no one will deny that in the carrying out of great public works in China, French interests and influence are now on the increase; Germany in the supply of her industries and manufactures; America with her oil, missionary enterprise, and general products; Russia, with the overland tea trade, the great overland railroad interests and the development of the eastern Manchurian coast trade, to which the visit of the CZARWITZ has given additional impetus. It has taken the Great Powers a long time to acknowledge that "there is something rotten in the state of China," and it behoves us now to lose no time in supporting and convincing them of the justness of their conclusions. Now is the time for concerted action on the part of the Chambers of Commerce at the Treaty Ports. In order to strengthen the hands of the European and American Governments by united memorials, showing briefly and lucidly the grievous impositions and exactions inflicted by the Chinese in recent years upon Foreign Commerce, without warrant and in defiance of Treaty rights. Never once since Foreign relations have been opened with China have merchants had such a golden opportunity as at present. The whole Consular body would be with them, the Press is unanimous in their favour, and if self-preservation be acknowledged as a natural law of nature, they have in this case that axiom to support them with a vengeance. Moreover, there is another side to the question. Is not the time ripe and opportune for Chinese arrogance and pretension to find its proper level? One Power acting alone, or in alliance with another, has now and again succeeded for a time, but only for a time, in checking the facility of the Chinese to evade and ignore their most sacred obligations, but it will now be a different matter altogether if a firm and united front be shown by the Great Powers of Europe, and America. The more

moral effect of the whole civilized world standing united and lodging its protest against the gross infringements of foreign rights and privileges, would have its influence on a far more arrogant and inflated semi-effete race even than the Chinese. Advisedly we say semi-effete, for although numerically strong, by reason of disorganization, corruption, misgovernment, lack of communications, and of method, and by their inherent vanity and overbearing conceit in their own systems, the Chinese are essentially semi-effete even if flitting singly against any one Great Power. As a matter of policy and as a set off against Russian designs on our Burmah frontier, Lord Salisbury's policy (mistaken and mischievous) has hitherto been one of expediency, to keep in with China, at any cost and at any sacrifice, but as even the worm will turn, so have the Chinese "piled on the agony" until the Foreign burden has become unbearable. Again we urge "let us then be up and doing!" We have laboured long and waited patiently and now it is a great measure depends on ourselves if "the winter of our discontent" should not be over. "Up Guards and at 'em." It is popularly believed was said on a memorable occasion, fraught with equally momentous consequences, and may it be rung into the ears of all Eastern communities at the present auspicious and important juncture.

## TELEGRAMS.

## TURKEY AND EGYPT.

LONDON, August 6th.  
Six vessels of the Mediterranean Squadron have suddenly arrived at Alexandria. It is suggested that this move is in consequence of reports that the Sultan has been interfering in Egyptian affairs.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

## THERE is no truth outside Science.

MANY actresses who do not draw well, paint most cleverly.

THE manufacturing of artificial musk is a recent chemical achievement.

A PRINCE's face value is greatly increased by the possession of a wealthy papa.

THE man with rheumatism has no patience with the giddy young folk who dance.

PARNELL and Kitty O'Shea have been married three times at least. Broomstick, registrar, and church.

IN America that family which is becoming more and more widely known, is called bacilli in Paris, parasites in Germany, germs, and in Ireland, microbes.

MR. A. G. WISE gave judgment in the option case that has been pending since the 6th ult., and after hearing exhaustive evidence fined the accused \$100, which was paid.

A REGULAR meeting of St. John Lodge, No. 618, S.C., will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zealand Street, on Wednesday, the 12th instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

IN a foul-stealing case at Charters Towers, Queensland, recently, the bird involved being in court a witness named Peter denied some allegation. "And immediately the cock crew." That settled Peter.

ST. PETER'S SEAMEN'S CHURCH.—The Mission steamer-launch *Day Spring* will call alongside vessels holding cock pennant C between 9 and 10.30 a.m. on Sunday to convey men ashore to the 11 o'clock service, returning about 12.30.

THE Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial Hospital begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donation to the funds of the Hospital:—  
Mr. Andrew Johnston ..... \$10  
Rev. D. Hamilton ..... 10

WE are informed by the agents (Messrs. Arnhold, Karberg & Co.) that the China Shippers' Mutual S.N. Co.'s steamer *Moyana*, from London and Liverpool, passed the Canal yesterday, and may be considered due at Singapore on or about the 25th inst.

THE H.K. C. & M. Steamboat Company's steamer *Kiangchow* has commenced running in the Canton kowloon oil trade and is likely to soon monopolize the whole of this business, from her adaptability and the security which a well-found vessel offers.

THE Secretary of the Punjom Company, Mr. A. O'D. Gourdin, advises us that a hurriedly written private letter from Mr. Orange soon after his arrival at Punjom, reports favourably of the prospects of the Punjom property both at Jalla, and at Gaban.

ALTHOUGH we have searched through our Australian files we have not been able to glean any additional particulars regarding the death of the late Lieut. Hodges, excepting that he jumped overboard from the steamship *Alameda* whilst en route from Sydney to Auckland, N.Z.

MELBOURNE drapery ad.—"This is the present guiding star of every woman who truly loves her lord." Then follows an unprecedented array of gowns, blouses, tuckers, and what not, and from the same paper we clip the following:—Wanted—I want to hire a sensible young girl to work for wages, and to a mistress. Apply, &c.

EVERYBODY has heard of the famous letters that passed between the adverse chiefs, Sir O'Connell and Tyrone, the most laconic correspondence in history:—

Pay me my tribute, or if you don't—  
"O'Connell."  
I owe you no tribute, and if I did—  
"O'Neill."

We generally prefer new articles to old ones—the new makes to the old maids.

WE are informed by the agents of the Austro-Hungarian Lloyd's S.N. Co. that the Company's steamer *Pandora*, from Trieste, left Singapore for this port at 5 p.m. yesterday.

MISS DOLLIE LOFTUS whose suicide in the Hudson River was recently announced, is very much alive again, but the authorities who *felt de said* the fair young actress can easily be excused, as the likeness between the girl whose body was found, and Miss Loftus, was so startling, that upon viewing it Dollie fainted right away.

YOUTH will be served. Duncan C. Ross, the Scotch-American athlete, though a not very fit, best Donald Dinnie, the best all-round man this world ever saw and the toughest old man it contains to-day, in a three-set wrestling match at the Sydney Olympic Club the other evening, for a \$100 purse, after a terrible tussle. Dinnie weighed 135 lb., Ross, 145 lb., 8 ft. 6 in.

A PARIS physician, M. Varlot, one of the best known doctors in the principal hospital there, has for some time been studying the project of metalizing dead bodies entire. He has at last succeeded so that a body may be hermetically enclosed in a gold, silver, nickel, bronze, copper or other metal envelope, according to the taste or means of the mourning relatives. It is said that Varlot's process is making considerable headway.

THE island trading schooner *Marshall S.*, which arrived in Sydney a few weeks since from the Solomon Islands, brought news of another of those horrible massacres that have become so common in the South Sea Islands of late. The victims were five natives who had gone ashore from their ship. On reaching the beach they were attacked by the bush tribe, and killed in the most revolting fashion before a rescue could be effected.

BEFORE Mr. A. G. Wise at the Magistracy this morning, an unlicensed hawk was charged by Inspector Kemp with obstruction. It appeared from the evidence adduced that the accused, who is an old offender, had spies engaged to inform him of the approach of the Police, and owing to considerable agility on his part he had hitherto eluded capture. His Worship fined him \$5, and also bound him over in the sum of \$10 as an assurance of better behavior for the next six months, with the alternative of one month's active employment.

THE enormous water-power of Lake Superior is the next natural force to be utilized. It has been calculated that the actual velocity and volume of water falling at Sault Ste. Marie is 122,000 feet per second—equivalent to 236,000 horse-power; and it is proposed to construct very extensive works in the vicinity, including blast furnaces and ship-yards, paper mills, pulp mills, flour mills and other industries. The learning of science and the ingenuity of inventors is daily succeeding in diminishing the waste of energy that is met with in the mechanical world, and doubtless before the century shall have closed even greater triumphs will be recorded.

THE *Torres Straits Pilot* records a more rather extraordinary doing on the part of a self-appointed Missionary who has lately taken himself to the wilds of New Guinea with a view to improving the social, spiritual and intellectual welfare of a tribe of native savages that he considered he could civilize and convert. He was landed alone and unarmed among a section of the famed head-hunting Tugera tribe, who never before had any communication with white people. The *Pilot* goes on to say that this would be all very well but for the fact that there are so many of the worthy "Doctors" who dishonored cheques floating around the Straits, and disconcerted creditors who long for his return.

THE adjourned case against Captain Stavers, which is the first that has been instituted under the New Sunday Observance Ordinance was proceeded with before Mr. Wise to-day. Mr. Wilkinson appeared for the defendant and contended that it was a most unfair thing to bring his client up as he knew nothing about the new law affecting the working of cargo on Sundays, and solicited that a caution would meet the case. His Worship said that he could not believe that there was an one who did not know that the Ordinance had become law, or no subject than the others. I did not want to marry her. There was some talk about it and at Mr. Denny's I was told to say that was the reason I wanted to borrow money. I don't know where Ngan Ku-chai has gone. I believe she is in Canton. She left Hongkong before I saw my information in this case. When I saw Ying Ming-shang for the first time I did not say that I owed money to Atack and that I wanted to redeem a girl. I got the money to pay Atack from my mother. I know a man called Kwan Lu Lak. I knew him last year. He used to go with me to the Fun An Kiu in the beginning of this year. I never gambled with him. We have dined together. Neither of us paid. We were both guests. He did not introduce me to Yeung Ming Shan in the matter of a loan. I did not give a promissory note on the 17th April last. I was through Tsang Shui that I got a loan for \$7,000 from Yeung Ming Shan on the 13th May last, of which I was to get 40 per cent. It was not arranged that I was to get 80 per cent. I tried to get sixty per cent. but finally agreed to take 40 per cent. I objected to going to Mr. Denny to sign the note. I did not receive \$2,000 on this note. There was no promissory note torn up. The terms of the loan were not that I should receive 80 per cent. of \$7,000 and pay 24 per cent. on the full value. After paying back and taking 40 per cent. I left the office with \$1,940. I was not charged 24 per cent. for one month's interest on an old note. On the evening of the 17th May nearly the whole of the money of the first loan was gone, and that evening there was talk of getting another loan. On the 22nd May I got another loan. I was offered the money voluntarily. I got a loan of \$200. I did not spend this. I put it by. I did not put it by to redeem Ngan Ku Chai. On the 29th May I got another loan. I received \$7,750 out of \$8,000. A promissory note for \$1,200 was also given to me. I had nothing to do with the promissory note. I left the office about 5 p.m. Up to coming out of the office, I heard nothing about the \$1,000 loan. When we left we went to the Fun An Kiu, where this loan was talked over, and from there we went to Yeung Ming Shan. When the defendants first told me I would not have to repay the money, I believed them but after thinking it over deeply I was not certain whether I would have to pay it back again or not. When I obtained the loan for \$15,000, from what Chung Sui told me I believed I would not have to repay it. I believed Chung Sui at that time, because I believed him then to be a good man. Under the belief I should not have to pay the money back I signed a note for \$15,000, receiving \$12,200. I would not have borrowed the money if at the time I had thought that I should have to pay the money back. At this stage the case was adjourned till Wednesday at 5 p.m.

A REGULAR meeting of Perseverance Lodge, No. 1165, E.C., will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zealand Street, on Monday, the 12th inst., at 5 for 5.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

"Oh, what a charming plant!" exclaimed a visitor, and his hostess replied, "Yes, it belongs to the *begonia* family. "Why, no," said the youngest daughter, "it belongs to the Brown family, and they lent it to us for the evening."

A COOLIE was arrested last night by Detective Green on suspicion of having broken into a house belonging to the Comproadore of the *Kianglung*, and with having stolen \$60 worth of jewellery. On being searched a number of pawn tickets referring to the stolen property, were found in his possession. \$40 or, two months.

THERE is no period of life more important, from a hygienic point of view, than the age between twelve and twenty-one, for, as Dr. Hector George points out, it is between these years that the skeleton and brain take their definite form. It is then that an abundance of general exercise will facilitate development; it is during this period that deformities are so easily contracted—stooping, for instance, from leaning over work, or writing at a too low desk; crooked shoulders or hips from carrying weights always on one side; or from allowing pupils to sit crookedly at their work. But now, happily, there is open to everybody that splendid antidote to deformity—gymnastics. It is the same thing with the brain; everything in a man's life depends on the impressions he receives in his youth; his surroundings must be refined and clever if it is wished that his mind may also become so. In the words of Dr. George, what is wanted is "An upright mind in an upright body."

## THE CONSPIRACY CASE.

This case, in which Young Ming Shan, Chang Sui and Tam San were charged on remand, with having unlawfully conspired to defraud one Tso Tung Shang, a minor, of his property, was continued before Mr. Wise at the Magistracy yesterday afternoon. The same Counsel as before were engaged.

Tso Tung Shang, the complainant, cross-examined by Mr. Robinson. One of my names is Tso Lu Kau. I have been five years at school and I can both read and write. I borrowed the first money on May 16th and the whole of the money, about \$7,000, was gone by the 5th June. I was induced to borrow this money because, I was a minor, I had believed that I should not have to repay it. I thought that I should not have borrowed it, if I had thought I should have to repay it. When all the money was gone my mother got hold of me. That was about the 21st June. The notice had appeared in the newspapers before she found me. It was before I got the letter of the 23rd June from Mr. Roddy that my mother found me. When my mother found me she scolded me. She found me in the Fun An Kiu Club. I did not show her the letter I had received from Mr. Roddy. She told me to go to Mr. Denny's. He examined me as to what I had done with the money. I went to Mr. Denny's office two or three times. Mr. Denny took down my statement. Mr. Francis said it might save time if he stated that the affidavit filed was drawn up by him personally and read over to the witness in his chambers. No one in Mr. Denny's office saw it.

Cross-examination continued.—I obtained a loan of \$200 from my nephew Atack the year before last. I wanted this money to pay for things I had brought from Canton. My mother knew of this. I repaid Atack in full. Just before borrowing the money in May last I went with Chan Hang Po and Ho Ching Shan to the Choi Fung brothel. I went with them several times. I knew the Tak Yung, Sun Sui, Fun E, Kwan Heung, and Kun Hung brothels. I knew inmates in all these brothels. I did not know all the inmates. I knew a girl called Ngan Ku-chai in the Tak Yung brothel. I had no special fancy for her. I knew Ying Ping in the same brothel. I knew Sai Fong in the Fun Shui brothel, Ailing in the Fun Fa brothel, Yuk Si in the Kwan Heung brothel, Aso and Afung in the Kun Heung brothel, and Aying in the Sui Fong. I have engaged all these ladies several times. I was not a particular favourite with them that I know of. I was not particularly fonder of one than the other. I engaged Ngan Ku-chai more frequently than the others. I did not want to marry her. There was some talk about it and at Mr. Denny's I was told to say that was the reason I wanted to borrow money. I don't know where Ngan Ku-chai has gone. I believe she is in Canton. She left Hongkong before I saw my information in this case. When I saw Ying Ming-shang for the first time I did not say that I owed money to Atack and that I wanted to redeem a girl. I got the money to pay Atack from my mother. I know a man called Kwan Lu Lak. I knew him last year. He used to go with me to the Fun An Kiu in the beginning of this year. I never gambled with him. We have dined together. Neither of us paid. We were both guests. He did not introduce me to Yeung Ming Shan in the matter of a loan. I did not give a promissory note on the 17th April last. I was through Tsang Shui that I got a loan for \$7,000 from Yeung Ming Shan on the 13th May last, of which I was to get 40 per cent. It was not arranged that I was to get 80 per cent. I tried to get sixty per cent. but finally agreed to take 40 per cent. I objected to going to Mr. Denny to sign the note. I did not receive \$2,000 on this note. There was no promissory note torn up. The terms of the loan were not that I should receive 80 per cent. of \$7,000 and pay 24 per cent. on the full value. After paying back and taking 40 per cent. I left the office with \$1,940. I was not charged 24 per cent. for one month's interest on an old note. On the evening of the 17th May nearly the whole of the money of the first loan was gone, and that evening there was talk of getting another loan. On the 22nd May I got another loan. I was offered the money voluntarily. I got a loan of \$200. I did not spend this. I put it by. I did not put it by to redeem Ngan Ku Chai. On the 29th May I got another loan. I received \$7,750 out of \$8,000. A promissory note for \$1,200 was also given to me. I had nothing to do with the promissory note. I left the office about 5 p.m. Up to coming out of the office, I heard nothing about the \$1,000 loan. When we left we went to the Fun An Kiu, where this loan was talked over, and from there we went to Yeung Ming Shan. When the defendants first told me I would not have to repay the money, I believed them but after thinking it over deeply I was not certain whether I would have to pay it back again or not. When I obtained the loan for \$15,000, from what Chung Sui told me I believed I would not have to repay it. I believed Chung Sui at that time, because I believed him then to be a good man. Under the belief I should not have to pay the money back I signed a note for \$15,000, receiving \$12,200. I would not have borrowed the money if at the time I had thought that I should have to pay the money back. At this stage the case was adjourned till Wednesday at 5 p.m.

## NEWS BY THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The China Navigation Co.'s steamer *Taiyuen*, Captain R. Nelson, arrived this morning from Sydney and ports of call. The following telegrams are taken from our exchanges:—

LONDON, July 7th.

The Russian Government has withdrawn the sum of £4,000,000 in gold from London.

La Grippe is raging at Labrador, on the east coast of British North America. The mortality from the epidemic is very great, and many of the persons afflicted are in a state of starvation.

Probate has been granted in the will of the late Mr. Henry Sampson, well known as "Pendragon," of the Referee. The amount of the will was £37,000.

The subject of the proposed colonial convention was again discussed at a meeting of the Imperial Federation League held last night. Sir Lyon Playfair, M.P., presided. A motion was adopted accepting the challenge of the Marquis of Salisbury, and providing for the appointment of a committee to formulate definite proposals for consideration by the proposed convention.

News has been received from New York of a tornado that has swept over the Baton Rouge, a city in the State of Louisiana, causing much damage to property and killing a number of people. A prison situated in the city was completely destroyed by the violence of the tornado. Ten prisoners were killed and several other persons were more or less seriously injured.

The Privy Council appeals, from the Supreme Court of Sydney, in the case of Davies and Phillips, of the National Fire and Marine Insurance Co. of New Zealand, and the cross action arising out of the same matter, has been dismissed, without costs.

News is to hand of a terrible disaster which has occurred at Jostedal, a town in Russia. A cloud burst over the town, entirely deluging the place, occasioning enormous damage to property, and entailing an appalling loss of life. So far the extent of the damage is unknown, nor has it been ascertained how many persons have been killed. It has, however, been ascertained that 150 houses were completely demolished, and four bridges were totally destroyed. It is feared that many more persons than at present known have met their death, and no estimate of the number drowned can be made. Up to the present the bodies of 69 persons have been recovered.

The Czar of Russia has announced his intention of holding a State Reception at the Imperial Palace at Peterhof, near St. Petersburg, on August 8.

It has been arranged that a meeting shall take place between the youthful King of Serbia and his exiled mother, ex-Queen Natalie. The meeting will take place at Odessa on July 29.

The campaign in connection with the Carlow election is being vigorously carried on. It is reported that, notwithstanding the hostile demonstration recently reported, the Conservatives will vote for Mr. Kettle, the nominee of the Parrellite party.

It is reported from San Francisco that the Republic of Mexico is on the verge of a revolution. Lord Sheffield's team of cricketers, to visit Australia during the approaching season, will include the following professional players:—Able, Read and Sharpe, of Surrey; Chatterton, of Derbyshire; and Bear, of Sussex.

A disastrous collision occurred in the English Channel yesterday between the steamers *Dunholme* and *Kintock*. One of the vessels went down, and 17 of the crew are reported as missing.

[The *Dunholme* is one of the British S.S. Co.'s vessels. She is a screw steamer of 1,142 tons net and 1762 tons gross, and was built at West Hartlepool in 1883. The *Kintock* belongs to the North British Railway Co., and is an iron paddle-boat of 334 tons net and 575 tons gross.]

The Newmarket first July meeting was continued to-day, and the race for the Zeland Plate resulted as follows:—

Zeland Plate, of 500 sovs., added to a sweepstake of 100 sovs., each half forfeit for three-year-olds, colts, 9 st. 10 lb.; fillies, 8 st. 7 lb. Broad Cote, by Hampton—Corrie River, 1; Bellinosa, by Necromancer—Hasty Girl, 2; Thistle-down, by Master Kildare—Flower of Scotland, 3.

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M. de Freycinet, the Minister for War in France, has notified the French Government that he requires an additional budget of 5,000,000, to meet the demands of the meat supply of the army, owing to the increased price occasioned by the operation of the new tariff. The Russian newspapers have published congratulatory articles with regard to the French army, and cordially welcome the visit of the Mediterranean fleet, which is at present at Constantinople.

The Privy Council has concluded the hearing of the appeal in the case of the Bishop of Lincoln, brought by the Church Association. Judgment has been reserved.

Lord George Hamilton, First Lord of Admiralty, has called to Rear-Admiral Lord Charles Scott, directing an exhaustive inquiry to be held into the circumstances connected with the bursting of the gun on board H.M.S. Cordelia.

Efforts are being made to induce M. Sadi Carnot, the President of the French Republic, to pay a visit to England.

The polling for the election of a member to







